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The stunning center-right election victory and the reappointment of Prime Minister Barre mean that economic policy will continue to stress stabilization rather than stimulation.	
Turkey: IMF Agreement Eases Financial Pressure	3
The recent accord opens the way for substantial new credits and the refinancing of perhaps half of the \$4 billion-\$5 billion short-term debt.	
USSR: Siberian Rail Line To Tap Yakutsk Resources	6
In their drive to complete a rail line to exploit the rich mineral resources of southern Yakutsk ASSR, the Soviets have had to deal with serious engineering problems in the permafrost terrain.	
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